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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Withdrawn) A method in accordance with claim 38, wherein said gas discharge lamp is a compact gas discharge lamp.
- 3-6. (Cancelled)
7. (Withdrawn) A method in accordance with claim 38, wherein:  
  
said measured lamp parameter is a value of elapsed time; and  
  
said threshold lamp parameter is a predetermined amount of time.
8. (Withdrawn) A method in accordance with claim 38, wherein said low lamp light output level is equal to or less than approximately 1 percent of a full rated lamp light output level.
9. (Withdrawn) A method in accordance with claim 38, wherein said intermediate lamp light output level is within a range of greater than 1 percent to approximately 5 percent of a full rated lamp light output level.
- 10-12. (Cancelled)
13. (Currently Amended) A ballast in accordance with claim 45, wherein said gas discharge lamp is a compact gas discharge lamp having at least one small radius allowing said compact gas discharge lamp to fold back on itself.
14. (Cancelled)
15. (Previously Presented) A ballast in accordance with claim 45, wherein:  
  
said measured lamp parameter is a value of elapsed time; and  
  
said threshold lamp parameter is a predetermined amount of time.